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Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner's indication of the allowability of the subject matter of claim 27 is respectfully acknowledged.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of allowable claim 27, including the subject matter of intervening claims 25 and 26.

Claim 2 has been amended to better accord with amended independent claim 1.

Independent claims 17 and 22 have been amended in a similar manner to claim 1, to incorporate subject matter corresponding to allowable claim 27 and claims 25 and 26 from which claim 27 depended.

No new matter has been added, and no new issues with respect to patentability have been raised.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the amendments to the claims be approved and entered, and it is respectfully submitted that amended independent claims 1, 17 and 22 and all of the claims respectively depending therefrom are now in condition for immediate allowance.

Entry of this Amendment, allowance of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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